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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS
Public (Political) Department

Letter No.4889/47-7

From

Sri K. Ramunni Menon, I.C.S.,
Secretary to the Government of Madras

To

The Secretary to the Government of India,
Ministry of States,
New Delhi

Dated Fort St. George the 22nd December 1947.

Sir,

States - Hyderabad.

I am directed to state that with a view to maintaining the cordial relationship subsisting between this Government and the Hyderabad Government, the Prime Minister of the Hyderabad State invited the Hon'ble Premier of the Madras Government to Hyderabad for an informal discussion on certain border incidents and on the latter's suggestion the Conference has been postponed to a future date after the Christmas holidays and it has been agreed to hold the Conference in Madras.

I am to request that the Ministry of States may be apprised of this Conference and its advice as to the scope to which the discussion should be limited may be obtained and communicated to this Government expeditiously.

There ~~is~~ are no direct relations between the Provincial Government and the neighbouring Indian States and it is not clear whether discussions of the nature suggested can be held by the Provincial Government's representatives with representatives of the Hyderbad Government.

3. A reply by telegram will be appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/K. Ramunni Menon.

Copy of Telegram dated 27th December 1947 from the Ministry of States, Government of India to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Public (Political) Department.

"For Premier Your Letter to Sardar about Hyderabad representatives visiting Madras stop Sardar considers it would be advantageous for them to come over to Madras and have discussion with you in order to keep friendly relations between Madras and Hyderabad Stop."

Government of Madras
Public (Political) Department

Letter No.4889/47-8

From

Sri K. Ramunni Menon, I.C.S.,
Secretary to the Government of Madras

To

The Hon. the Prime Minister of Hyderabad,
Hyderabad.

Dated Fort St. George the 15th January 1948.

Sir,

Visit to Madras.

p.t.o.

I am desired by the Hon. the Premier of Madras to thank you for your telegram of the 16th December 1947 and to say that while he is only too willing to receive you in Madras and discuss with you some of the outstanding questions he now considers that in view of the presence of the Agent General for India in Hyderabad on the spot it will be more appropriate for the State Government to discuss matters with the Agent General. The Hon. the Premier hopes that the Hyderabad Government ~~will~~ also will be of the same view.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/ K. Kumara Menon.

Copy to the Government of India, Ministry of States, New Delhi.

Copy of Telegram dated 17th January 1948 from the Ministry of States, New Delhi to the Secretary to Government of Madras, Public (Political) Department.

" ~~Prime~~ Minister wishes to call conference of premiers of adjoining provinces with view discussing question of Border incidents in interest of better understanding and goodwill between India and Hyderabad if such invitation received. Central Government have no objection to your accepting same and meeting him (SD) in Hyderabad or such other place as may be mutually agreed upon You will no doubt keep Munshi informed of these developments repeated agent general Hyderabad - Hyderabad, Deccan."

Copy of Telegram dated 19th January 1948 from the Ministry of States, New Delhi to the Secretary to Government of Madras, Public (Political) Department and repeated to the Agent-General of Hyderabad.

"Immediate for premier Stop In our yesterday's telegram we commended suggestion for meeting between Hyderabad Prime Minister and Provincial Premiers but we would prefer that this meeting should be convened by our Agent-General in Hyderabad in consultation with Hyderabad Prime Minister stop hope you will have no objection stop repeated Agent-General, Hyderabad.

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It seems to me, on further consideration, that now that there is an Agent-General at Hyderabad it would be better if there were to be no direct discussions between Hyderabad and Madras. The Telegram from India at pp.37 c.f. was sent before Mr. Munshi took up his post at Hyderabad. The correct procedure now would be for the Hyderabad representatives to discuss matters with the Agent-General.

K.R.M.
10-1-48

O.P.R.
12-1-48

Please see the orders in circulation at page 5 above. The idea of conference between Prime Minister of Hyderabad and the Hon. the Premier originated from the former - see his telegram at p.1 et seq c.f. His last telegram at p.33 c.f. is dated 16-12-47. It seems that the matter may be left at that. If, however, it is considered that a suitable reply is necessary the draft letter submitted is for approval.

For orders whether a reply is necessary.

The draft below may issue.

K.R.M.
15-1-48

O.P.R.
15-1-48.

/Issued Letter No.4889/47-S, d/15-1-48./
/From the G. of I. Telegram d/19-1-48./
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The Government of India's telegram on pp.47-49 c.f. supersedes their previous one. The latter telegram is in accord with this

Government's ~~telegram~~ views - see p.39 c.f. On pp.41-45 c.f. Both have been perused by H.Pr. It is not clear whether a reply need go to the Government of India with reference to their telegram on pp.47-49 c.f. If a reply is considered necessary the draft telegram below is for approval.

After issue the papers may be recorded in a G.O. for facility of future reference.

No reply is necessary.

K.R.M.
26-1-48.

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